GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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ILLEGAL EMIGRATION
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Eastern Europe and Gulf countries are the golden routes for illegal emigration of persons from India;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action the Government propose to take in the matter?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI AJIT KUMAR PANJA)

(a) & (b) Some illegal migrants travel through East European countries with the aim to illegally enter a West European country.The cases of illegal migration in the Gulf countries are mostly due to overstay after expiry of visa.

(c) Sections 24 & 25 of the Emigration Act, 1983 provide for imposition of penalties for violation of the provisions of the said Act. During the year 2000, the Central Government has sanctioned prosecution of 10 (ten) persons under the Emigration Act, 1983.